

## UNITED STATES

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I verify belief I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or a joint inventor (if plural inventors are named below) of the invention entitled

(1) **ANTI-MISMATCH OF NEAR-SIZED COUPLING SEGMENTS**

the specification of which

(2)  is attached hereto.

was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ as Application No. \_\_\_\_\_

and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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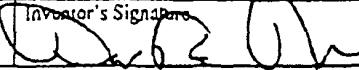
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(a) Patent Number \_\_\_\_\_ dated \_\_\_\_\_

(b) Application for Letters Patent Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_

(c) Application for Letters Patent which has been executed by the undersigned concurrently herewith and entitled **ANTI-MISMATCH OF NEAR-SIZED COUPLING SEGMENTS**

and in and to said application and all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue and all other applications for Letters Patent which have been or shall be filed in the United States and all other foreign countries on any of said improvements; and in and to all original and reissued patents which have been or shall be issued in the United States and all foreign countries on said improvements.

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## ASSIGNOR

Dated: Aug. 4 , 1999

By Douglas R. DOLE

By \_\_\_\_\_

By \_\_\_\_\_

The undersigned declares that he(she) was personally present and did see the above-named individual execute this Assignment of his own free will for the purposes set forth herein.

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